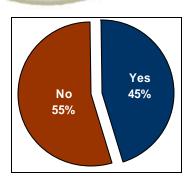
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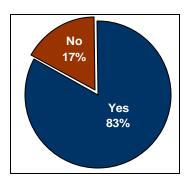


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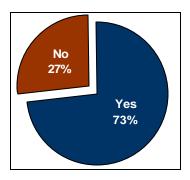
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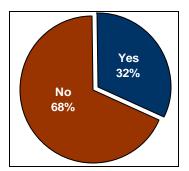
1. Do you favor efforts to curb prison overcrowding and funding increases for the Department of Correction by giving trial court judges more discretion over sentencing, rather than a mandatory sentence?



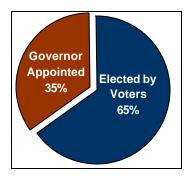
7. Should schools receive state funding based on the number of students in the school district?



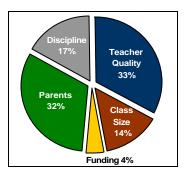
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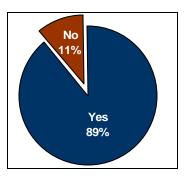
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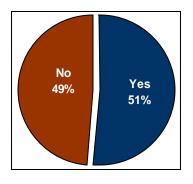
3. Should the state Superintendent of Public Instruction be elected by voters or appointed by the governor?



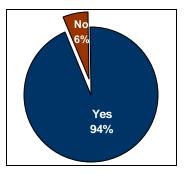
9. In your opinion, which is the MOST important factor in improving student learning?



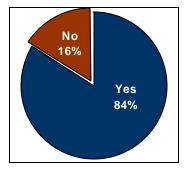
4. ISTEP+ is administered to all Indiana students in grades 3-10 each year in mid-September and tests material from the student's previous grade. Do you favor moving ISTEP+ to the spring and testing material from the student's current grade?



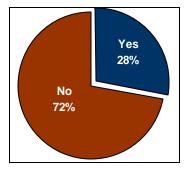
10. A legislative study committee of local government is considering merging township government responsibilities (poor relief, property assessment, and fire protection) into county operations. Do you favor eliminating the township level of government?



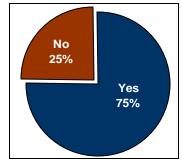
5. Do you believe voters should provide proof of identification at the polling place?



11. Do you support a state constitutional amendment defining marriage as the union of one man and one woman?



6. Do you favor further expansion of gambling in Indiana?



12. Because the legislature allowed counties to repeal the inventory tax on property, certain counties can no longer provide tax incentives for businesses to locate in distressed areas, called enterprise zones. Do you favor giving businesses other local property tax credits if they will locate operations in a distressed area?